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 AND RADIOPACITY CHARACTERISTICS

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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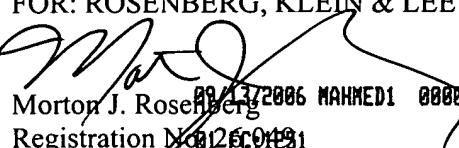
Sir:

Applicant, by the undersigned attorney hereby requests an Extension of Time for one (1) month to respond to the Official Action dated 9 June 2006. With this Extension of Time being granted, the Applicant shall have to and including 9 October 2006 to respond to the Official Action. In fact, a Patent Application Response is being filed concurrently with this Request for Extension of Time.

A check in the amount of \$120.00 is hereby enclosed to cover the filing fees associated with this Extension of Time.

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